AGENDA Informational Hearing

HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday, February 24, 2009 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

State Capitol Room 4202

1:30 – 1:40 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dave Jones, Chair, Assembly Health Committee

1:40 – 1:55 Who is using the Emergency Department and Why?

Shannon McConville, Research Associate, Public Policy Institute of California Peter Sokolove, MD, FACEP, California Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians

1:55 – 2:05 **Increasing Primary Care Access**

Tom Riley, Director of Governmental Relations, California Academy of Family Physicians

2:05 – 2:25 Innovative Projects

Michael Romeo, MD, TransforMED Demonstration Project

Jonathan Hunter, Managing Director, Corporation for Supportive Housing, Frequent Users Program

Susan Ehrlich, Chief Medical Officer, San Mateo Medical Center

Toby Douglas, Chief Deputy Director, California Department of Health Care Services

Luis Rico, Division Chief for Systems of Care, California Department of Health Care Services

2:25 – 2:40 Patient Advocates

Anthony Wright, Executive Director, Health Access
Elizabeth Landsberg, Legislative Advocate, Western Center on Law and Poverty

2:40 – 3:00 **Reaction Panel**

Debby Rogers, RN, MS, California Hospital Association Suzanne De Palma, RN, California Nurses Association Beth Capell, Legislative Advocate, Service Employees International Union

3:00 – 3:30 **Public Comment**